

COMPLAINT AND REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

Plaintiff JAMES PAPA files this Complaint against Defendant ROBERT FEINSTEIN d/b/a RF VIDEO.

1. PARTIES

- 1A. Plaintiff **JAMES PAPA** is an individual who resides in Irving, Dallas County Texas.
- 1B. Defendant **ROBERT FEINSTEIN d/b/a RF VIDEO** is a citizen of the State of Pennsylvania and may be served at 865 Green Ridge Circle, Langhorne, Pennsylvania 19053.

2. JURISDICTION

2A. This Court has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §§1331, 1338(a), and 1338(b) as this case raises a Federal question in that this is an action for copyright infringement under the Copyright Act of 1976, Title 17 U.S.C., §§ 101 et seq. and the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. §1125(a), as hereinafter more fully appears.

2B. Plaintiff JAMES PAPA is a citizen of the State of Texas, and Defendant ROBERT FEINSTEIN d/b/a RF VIDEO is a citizen of the State of Pennsylvania. The matter in controversy exceeds, exclusive of interest and costs, the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00).

3. VENUE

3A. The claims asserted herein arose in this judicial district and Defendant does business in this judicial district. Venue in this judicial district is proper under 28 U.S,C §§ 1391(c) and 1400(a) in that this is the judicial district in which a substantial part of the acts and omissions giving rise to the claims occurred.

4. FACTS

- 4A. Plaintiff JAMES PAPA has been engaged in the business of marketing and promoting professional wrestling. In the course of his business Plaintiff has created several trademarks as well as written numerous original musical works subject to common law copyright. Over the past twenty years, Plaintiff has created substantial goodwill and public trust in his marks and musical works.
- 4B. Plaintiff began using the trademark "Freebirds" in association with professional wrestling in 1984.
- 4C. Plaintiff began using the trademark "Bad Street USA" in association with professional wrestling in 1983.
- 4D. Plaintiff has written the lyrics, composed the music and produced the recording of numerous musical works. These works were used as "introduction" or "entry" music by numerous professional wrestlers. Such works were subject to common law copyright and include:
 - (1) Don't Step to Ron;

- (2) Man Called Sting;
- (3) Mr. Bang Bang;
- (4) *Master of the DDT*;
- (5) Freebird Forever;
- (6) Simply Ravishing;
- (7) Johnny B. Badd;
- (8) *The Natural*;
- (9) The Dragon;
- (10) He's Smokin';
- (11) Steinerized.
- 4E. Plaintiff has written the lyrics, composed the music and produced the recording of numerous musical works. These works were used as "introduction" or "entry" music by numerous professional wrestlers. Many of these works were registered with Broadcast Music Incorporated, from whom Plaintiff receives royalties and include:
 - (1) Everything is Allright;
 - (2) When the Love Comes Down;
 - (3) The Night You Can't Remember;
 - (4) Ain't Superstitious;
 - (5) Touch My Level;
 - (6) Boys are Back in Town;
 - (7) Blue Jean Queen;
 - (8) Heartbeat Away; and
 - (9) Badstreet U.S.A.
- 4F. In addition to writing the lyrics, composing the music and producing the recording for Badstreet U.S.A. the Plaintiff produced, in 1983 an original music video based on the song.
- 4G. Defendant ROBERT FEINSTEIN d/b/a RF VIDEO is the owner of an internet web site, www.RFVideo.com, that specializes in selling various materials centered around professional wrestling. Among the products offered on Defendant's website are a large number of videos in which professional wrestling bouts are shown. These matches begin with each wrestler entering the ring to his "introduction" music.

Many of Plaintiff's original musical creations were licensed to these wrestlers for their live performances as well as the televised versions. Examples of Defendant's websites featuring copyrighted materials belonging to Plaintiff are attached as "EXHIBIT A". No license was ever granted to Defendant to reproduce these recordings for sale or otherwise.

- 4H. In addition to the unlicensed reproduction of Plaintiff's common law and registered copyrighted musical material, Defendant's website offers for sale numerous videos in which a major selling point is the inclusion of bouts by professional wrestlers known as the "Freebirds". These wrestlers were managed by Plaintiff and the name "Freebirds" was created by Plaintiff and first used by Plaintiff in his promotional efforts in 1984.
- 4I. Defendants also offer for sale numerous products using the Plaintiff's trademark "Bad Street USA".
- 4J. Defendant is not privileged to reproduce any of the copyrighted materials belonging to Plaintiff. Nor is he privileged to use any trademark belonging to Plaintiff. Defendant has not sought license or permission to offer any of the above listed copyrighted or trademarked materials for sale.
- 4K. The infringement of Plaintiff's trademarks and copyrighted materials is causing Plaintiff irreparable harm.
- 4L. Plaintiff has performed all conditions precedent required for recovery in the instant action.

5. Cause of Action 1: Copyright Infringement

5A. Plaintiff repeats and reiterates each and every allegation of paragraphs of the Complaint marked "1" through "4", as if more fully set forth at length herein.

- 5B. Upon information and belief the Defendant had access to Plaintiff's work via licensed television broadcast.
- 5C. The music, lyrics and video contained in the video recordings offered for sale by Defendant copy the original expression of the above listed music, lyrics and video written, performed or produced by Plaintiff and therefore infringe Plaintiff's copyright in said music, lyrics and video.
- 5D. Defendant has infringed on Plaintiff's copyright by copying Plaintiff's music, lyrics and video and producing and distributing videotapes containing Plaintiff's music, lyrics and video without Plaintiff's permission.
- 5E. By reason of Defendant's acts of copyright infringement, Plaintiff is entitled to recover all profits received or otherwise achieved, directly or indirectly, by Defendant in connection with his manufacturing, importing, advertising and sales of the accused products which are copies of Plaintiff's works.

6. Cause of Action 2: Contributory Copyright Infringement

- 6A. Plaintiff repeats and reiterates each and every allegation of paragraphs of the Complaint marked "1" through "5", as if more fully set forth at length herein.
- 6B. Upon information and belief, Defendant used and copied Plaintiff's music without Plaintiff's permission.
- 6C. Upon information and belief, Defendant used and copied Plaintiff's lyrics without Plaintiff's permission.
- 6D. Upon information and belief, Defendant used and copied Plaintiff's video without Plaintiff's permission.

- 6F. Upon information and belief, Defendant induced, participated, and aided and abetted in, and profited from, the copying of Plaintiff's music, lyrics and video.
- 6G. By reason of the foregoing copying, Defendant copied or aided and assisted in the copying and performing of Plaintiff's music, lyrics and video in various media without permission of Plaintiff, which is an infringement of Plaintiff's copyright.
- 6H. By reason of Defendant's acts of copyright infringement, Plaintiff is entitled to recover all profits received or otherwise achieved, directly or indirectly, by Defendant in connection with his manufacturing, importing, advertising and sales of the accused products which are copies of Plaintiff's works.

7. Cause of Action 3: Lanham Act Violations

- 7A. Plaintiff repeats and reiterates each and every allegation of paragraphs of the Complaint marked "1" through "6", as if more fully set forth at length herein.
- 7B. By reason of the foregoing, Defendant failed to designate Plaintiff as the author of Plaintiff's music, lyrics and video in advertising and publicizing.
- 7C. Upon information and belief Defendant's actions promoting video recordings containing music, lyrics and video created by Plaintiff without crediting Plaintiff as the author of the music, lyrics and video constitutes unfair competition under the legal doctrine of passing off.
- 7D. By reason of the foregoing, Defendant has willfully and intentionally caused damage to Plaintiff by affixing and using in commerce such false descriptions or

representations in violation of Plaintiff's rights under Section 43(a) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. s 1125(a).

7E. By reason of Defendant's acts of copyright infringement, Plaintiff is entitled to recover all profits received or otherwise achieved, directly or indirectly, by Defendant in connection with his manufacturing, importing, advertising and sales of the accused products which are copies of Plaintiff's works.

8. REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

8A. Defendant's conduct has caused and is causing Plaintiff incalculable harm. Plaintiff seeks a preliminary and permanent injunction to halt Defendant's use of Plaintiff's trademark and copyrighted materials.

9. REQUEST FOR RELIEF

- 9A. With respect to Plaintiff's Request for Preliminary Injunction Plaintiff asks the Court:
 - (1) For an order preliminarily and permanently enjoining the Defendant, and his agents, servants, attorneys, and employees and all other persons acting in concert with him from committing any further acts of infringement, including but not limited to, copying, manufacturing, importing, advertising, selling and distributing the accused products, or aiding or abetting or assisting others in such infringing activities;
 - (2) For an order directing Defendant to file with this Court and to serve on Plaintiff within thirty (30) days after service on Defendant of the injunction granted herein, or such extended period as the Court may direct, a report in writing, under oath, setting forth in detail the manner and form in which Defendant has complied with the injunction and order of the Court;
 - (3) For an order seizing and impounding all Accused Products;
 - (4) For an order requiring Defendant to account to Plaintiff for all profits derived by Defendant from the manufacture, importation, advertisement and sale of Accused Products.

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- (5) For a judgment of damages against Defendant in an amount to be proven at trial or in the alternative a reasonable royalty, and for prejudgment and postjudgment interest until the award is fully paid;
- (6) For a judgment that Defendant has willfully and deliberately infringed Plaintiff's rights, and that this is an exceptional case entitling Plaintiff to enhanced damages; and
- (7) Attorney fees as available under the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq.
- 9B. With respect to Plaintiff's requests for relief Plaintiff asks the Court:
- (1) For an order awarding actual damages;
- (2) For an order awarding exemplary and punitive damages;
- (3) That Plaintiff be granted costs, disbursements, and reasonable attorney fees;
- (4) That Defendant account to Plaintiff for his profits and any damages sustained by plaintiff arising from the foregoing acts of infringement and false representation;
- (5) That in accordance with such accounting, Plaintiff be awarded judgment for three times such profits and damages pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §1117;
- (6) For such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

DEMAND FOR TRIAL BY JURY

Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury on all issues raised by the Complaint.

Respectfully submitted,

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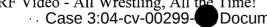
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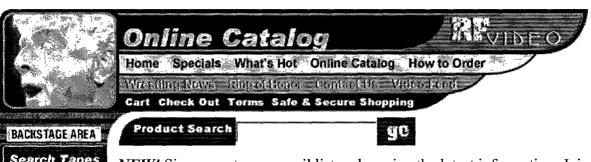
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Exhibit A

(Defendant's websites)





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Best of Kevin Sullivan (early years)

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1. Sullivan interview, Freebirds come out and argue, this was a great angle

Classic Collection

- 2. Sullivan & Mike Davis vs. Freebirds (Austin Idol shows up late)
- 3. Great interviews and angles with Idol, Sullivan & Freebirds
- 4. Sullivan vs. Steve Keim (Sullivan turns heel)

Clearance

5. Sullivan vs. Terry Taylor 6. Sullivan vs. Tony Atlas

Merchandise

7. Tons of Sullivan clips of all his major feuds in Florida, this is a must see if you never have seen him at his best, tons of gimmich matches are on this, it is a classic tape.

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1. Interview with the Freebirds (Mid Atlantic)

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2. Dusty vs. One Man Gang

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3. Interview with Gang/Dusty/Kevin,Oliver & Graham

4. Sullivan in Lakeland ring, interview with Sullivan, Oliver & Graham

5. Dory, Billy & Jack & Dusty interview

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6. Dory vs. Mike Rotunda

7. Mulligan & OMG/Bass, Humperdink & Graham/Dusty interviews

8. Dusty vs. Flair (for a ring)

Cult Classic

9. The Dream vs. Dennis Brown (The Dream is funny, his gimmick is an

Movies impersonation of Dusty)

10. Chavo & Hector vs. Scott McGee & Mike Graham

CZW 11. Hump & Saint/Flair interviews

12. Flair vs. McGee

DVD's

13. Billy Jack/D. Funk/BJ Mulligan interviews

14. OMG & Pez Whatley vs. Black Bart & Ron Bass

15. Hump, Graham, Sullivan & Bass interview

ECW 16. Bass vs. McGee

17. OMG & Mullian/Sullivan & Hump interviews

ECWA 18. Bobby Eaton & Dennis Condry vs. Stagger Lee & Bill Wattes (3 different

matches)

19. Mr. Wrestling II & Magnum T.A. vs. Eaton & Condry

Extreme Music

20. Gordy vs. Kamala

21. Flair vs. Haves

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23. Hightlights of Cornette - Watts fued.

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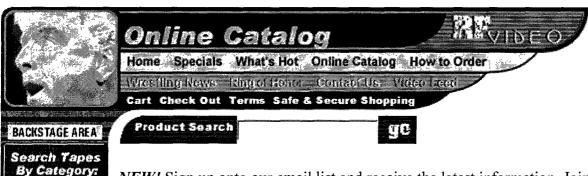
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1. Jake Roberts and Dick Slater confrontation, Jake DDT's Dark Journey and the crown hoes wild (NWA Mid-South 1986)

2. Jim Duggan interview, Jim shows his 2X4 collection (10/85 NWA Mid-south) 3. Buzz Sawyer, Masked Superstar & Dck Murdoch vs. Ted DiBiase, Steve

Clearance Merchandise

Cult Classic

Williams & Jim Duggan, the real Masked Superstar interfers (1986 Mid-south)

4. Tom McGee's incredible ring entrace (1986 Japan)

5. NWA Champ Ric Flair vs. Lex Luger, 2 out of 3 falls, Luger pins Flair in the first fall and then gets destroyed by every heel in the building

Movies

6. Kareem Mohammed & Bruiser Brody vs. Jerry & Bill Dundee (1985 NWA Memphis)

7. Jesse Ventura vs. Jimmy Valiant, Cadillac match (1983 NWA Toronto) CZW 8. AWA Tag Champs Greg Gagne & Jim Brunzell vs. Jerry Blackwell & Sheik

Adnan El-Caissey (1981 AWA Winnipeg) DVD's 9. Gagne vs. Blackwell (1981 AWA Winnipeg

10. Sgt. Tomko and Dean Ho confrontation Dean Ho interview (1981 Vancouver)

11. Dean Ho & Igor Volkoff vs. Bruiser Costas & Terry Costas & Adonis interview ECW (1981 Vancouver

12. Ho & Volkoff, Moose Morowski vs. Adonis, Sgt. Tomko & Costas, steel cage, **ECWA** Costas and Tomko turn on Adonis (1981 Vancouver)

13. Jack Brisco and Roddy Piper confrontation, Piper & Ivan Koloff kick the hell out Extreme Music of Brisco and Tim Horner (1981 NWA Mid-Atlantic)

14. Costas vs. Adonis (1981 Van.)

15. Costas vs. Adonis, Hair vs. Hair (1981 Van) Gift

16. Entertainment Tonight: Feature on Georgia Championship Wresling (1982) Certificates CBS)

17. Jerry Lawler vs. Hulk Hogan, Lawler enters the arena on a horse (1979 NWA Goldmine Memphis)

18. Killer Kowalski on The Tomorrow Show with Tom Snyder (198 NBC)

IWA Mid-South 19. Skandar Akbar introduces Mr. X whis is Killer Kahn, Michael Hayes protests

and gets whupped by Devestation Inc. Hayes & Gordy vow revenge Link & Kahn vs. Kerry & Kevin, Hyes & Gordy jump Link & Kahn during match, setting up a

IWC three way confrontation (7/84 NWA World Class)

20. Freebirds vs. Von Erichs, Bad Street Tornado match, wild and bloody with tons Japan of action (7/84 World Class).

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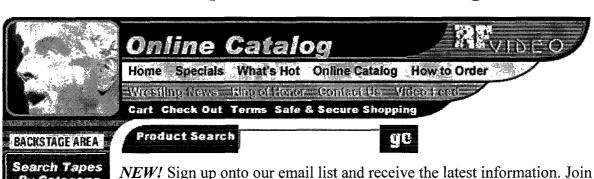
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1. Ken Patera & Brad Rheingans vs. Bad Co. (title change)

Classic

2. Olympions/Bad Co. interviews

Collection

3. Missing link video

4. Lance Von Erich vs. Gino Hernandez (Gino is wearing a mask) 5. Lance vs. Killer Brooks (Lances debut match)

Clearance

6. OMG vs. Kamala (5th Annual Thanksgiving Day)

Merchandise

7. Jack Victory vs. Brian Adidas

8. Casey & Sunshine vs. Tatum & Missy (cage, Texas Death, Kabuki comes in)

Cult Classic Movies

9. Dynamic Duo vs. Derry & Kevin (Gordy is ref in cage)

10. Rick Rude vs. Iceman King Parsons

11. Clip of the Oldies Dinner

CZW

12. Midnight Express vs. Samoan Swat Team

13. Great Muta vs. Steve Casey 14. Butch Reed vs. Junk Yard Dog

DVD's

ECW

15. Bob Orton vs. Dick Murdich

16. Mike Rotunda & Steve Williams vs. Road Warriors (title change)

17. Iron Sheik vs. Ranger Ross

18. Ric Flair interview

ECWA

19. Dan Spivey & Sullivan vs. Steiner & Gilbert

20. Flair vs. Steamboat (2 out of 3 falls)

21. Freebirds vs. Lance, Kevin & Kerry Von Erich

Extreme Music

22. Steve Simpson vs. Rick Rude

23. Bruiser Brody & Terry Gordy brawl all over the arena

Gift

24. John Tatum & Grappler vs. Fantastics

Certificates

25. 1 hour special of NWA Worldwide

Goldmine

26. Clips of Hayes vs. Luger, Warriors vs. Varsity Club, Sting vs. Rotunda & Rip

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